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THE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF OSWESTRY

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR

1970

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THE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF OSWESTRY

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To the Chairman and Members of the Oswestry Rural District Council.

Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

In the absence of a Medical Officer of Health, I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the Health and Sanitary Circumstances of the District for the year 1970, and I would like to thank the Additional Public Health Inspectors and Clerical Staff for the amount of work they have put into its compilation, and the loyal support received from them during the year.

I would also like to thank my colleagues in other Departments for the co-operation received from them.

My thanks are expressed to all members of the Council for their loyal support during the year.

I am,

Your Obedient Servant,

J.V. MEREDITH.

Chief Public Health Inspector.

August, 1971.



## GENERAL STATISTICS

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The following are the General Statistics for the Oswestry Rural District:-

Area in acres .....	63,704
Population estimate as given by the Registrar General .....	30,370
Number of inhabited houses (on Rate Book) .....	10,525
Rateable Value .....	£1,060,426
Sum represented by a penny rate .....	4,210



VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1970

		OSWESTRY R.D.			ENGLAND and WALES (TOTAL)
		Males	Females	Total	
Estimated mid-year home population		-	-	30,370	48,987,700
<u>Live Births</u>	Total	244	236	480	784,482
	Legitimate	223	221	444	719,738
	Illegitimate	21	15	36	64,744
<u>Stillbirths</u>	Total	4	2	6	10,341
	Legitimate	4	1	5	9,297
	Illegitimate	-	1	1	1,044
<u>Total Live and Still Births</u>	Total	248	238	486	794,823
	Legitimate	227	222	449	729,035
	Illegitimate	21	16	37	65,788
<u>Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age</u>	Total	5	1	6	14,269
	Legitimate	5	1	6	12,592
	Illegitimate	-	-	-	1,677
<u>under 4 weeks of age</u>	Total	4	1	5	9,663
	Legitimate	4	1	5	8,548
	Illegitimate	-	-	-	1,115
<u>under 1 week of age</u>	Total	4	1	5	8,328
	Legitimate	4	1	5	7,343
	Illegitimate	-	-	-	985
<u>Deaths - all ages</u>		224	171	395	575,208

VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1970

	OSWESTRY R.D.	ENGLAND and WALES
<u>Live birth rates, etc.</u>		
Live births per 1,000 home population (crude rate)	15.8	16.0
Area comparability factor	1.05	1.00
Local adjusted rate	16.6	16.0
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate	1.04	1.00
Illegitimate live births as percentage of all live births	8	8
<u>Stillbirth rate</u>		
Stillbirths per 1,000 total live and still births	12	13
<u>Infant mortality rates</u>		
Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births	13	18
Deaths of legitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 legitimate live births	14	17
Deaths of illegitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 illegitimate live births	-	26
<u>Neonatal mortality rate</u>		
Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births	10	12
<u>Early neonatal mortality</u>		
Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births	10	11
<u>Perinatal mortality rate</u>		
Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births	23	23
<u>Deaths rates, etc. - all ages</u>		
Deaths per 1,000 home population (crude rate)	13.0	11.7
Area comparability factor	.98	1.00
Local adjusted rate	12.7	11.7
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate	1.09	1.00



BIRTHS, DEATHS, STILL BIRTHS, INFANT MORTALITY, MATERNAL MORTALITY

OSWESTRY R.D.	Live Births	Rate Per 1,000 Pop.	Total Deaths	Rate Per 1,000 Pop.	Still Births	Rate Per 1,000 Live and Still Births	Infant Deaths	Rate Per 1,000 Live Births	Maternal Deaths	Rate Per 1,000 Live and Still Births
	480	15.8	395	13.0	6	12	6	13	--	--
COUNTY OF SALOP (1969)	5,715	17.2	3,635	10.94	79	14	95	17	--	--
ENGLAND AND WALES	784,482	16.0	575,208	11.7	Lo, 341	13	14,269	18	147	0.18

CAUSES OF DEATH

CAUSE	1970	1969
Late Effects of Respiratory Tuberculosis .....	2	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity, etc. ....	4	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus .....	4	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach .....	12	10
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine .....	12	12
Malignant Neoplasm, Larynx .....	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus .....	15	15
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast .....	5	4
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus .....	5	6
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate .....	2	1
Leukaemia .....	2	2
Other Malignant Neoplasms .....	26	22
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms .....	-	1
Diabetes Mellitus .....	5	4
Other Endocrine etc. Diseases .....	-	1
Anaemias .....	1	1
Other Diseases of Blood, etc. ....	-	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System .....	4	5
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease .....	4	1
Hypertensive Disease .....	9	8
Ischaemic Heart Disease .....	116	97
Other Forms of Heart Disease .....	13	18
Cerebrovascular Disease .....	63	54
Other Diseases of Circulatory System .....	25	22
Influenza .....	4	2
Pneumonia .....	11	13
Bronchitis and Emphysema .....	13	19
Other Diseases of Respiratory System .....	1	2
Peptic Ulcer .....	2	1
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia .....	3	2
Cirrhosis of Liver .....	-	1
Other Diseases of Digestive System .....	3	4
Nephritis and Nephrosis .....	2	-
Hyperplasia of Prostate .....	-	1
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System .....	2	4
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System .....	-	2
Congenital Anomalies .....	1	5
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc. ....	2	4
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality .....	1	2
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions .....	-	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents .....	10	8
All Other Accidents .....	6	16
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries .....	1	5
All Other External Causes .....	3	-
TOTAL ALL CAUSES .....	395	380

# CANCER

OSWESTRY R.D.	Deaths		Total	Rate per 1,000 Population 1970
	M.	F.		
	51	37	88	2.9
COUNTY OF SALOP (1969)	371	320	691	2.08
ENGLAND & WALES	63,244	53,841	117,085	23.90

## INFANT MORTALITY

OSWESTRY R.D.	Under 1 day	1-7 days	7 days- 1 month	1 - 3 months	3 - 6 months	6 - 9 months	9 - 12 months	Total	Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births
	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	Total	
	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	M. F.	
	3 -	1-1	- -	- -	- -	- -	1 -	5 1	
								6	13

## NEO-NATAL MORTALITY

OSWESTRY R.D.	Deaths of infants under 1 month	Percentage of total infant deaths	Rate per 1,000 Live Births
	M. F. Total 4 1 5	84	14



NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Age	Dysentery		Food Poisoning		Infective Hepatitis		Measles		Meningococcal Infection		Whooping Cough	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
2	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
3	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
4	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
5-	-	-	-	-	13	13	4	4	-	-	-	1
10-	-	1	-	-	6	8	-	1	-	-	-	-
15-	-	1	-	-	5	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
20-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
25-	-	-	-	1	2	5	-	-	1	-	-	-
35-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
45-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 & over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
unknown	-	-	-	-	2	3	2	2	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	2	2	2	33	34	14	11	4	-	-	1

MONTHLY INCIDENCE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Disease	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Infective Hepatitis	16	5	6	7	8	6	3	4	3	2	6	1
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	-
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	3	-	2	12	4
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-



## TUBERCULOSIS

The total number of cases on the register at the end of 1970 was 83 males and 58 females and although the figures appear to remain steady, it is encouraging to note the number of cases cured, which helps to balance the number of new cases notified.

X-ray facilities are available at the Chest Clinic, Copthorne Hospital, Shrewsbury and appointments can be arranged through the County Medical Officer of Health.

The following notifications were received during the year.

OSWESTRY R.D.	Respiratory		Non-respiratory		Total	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Civilian cases	1	1	-	2	1	3
Service cases	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	1	1	-	2	1	3
Cured	7	1	-	1	7	2
Left district	-	2	-	-	-	2
Deaths	2	-	-	-	2	-
Totals	9	3	-	1	9	4

Number of cases on the Register at the end of 1970:-

Respiratory		Non-respiratory		Totals	
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
71	31	12	27	83	58

Number of Primary Notifications during the year ..... 4  
 Death Rate per 1,000 population (resp.) ..... 0.6  
 Death Rate per 1,000,000 population (England & Wales) ... 19

## CLINICS AND HOSPITALS IN THE DISTRICT

### Tuberculosis Clinics

The Physician attends at:-

Oswestry and District Hospital, Upper Brook Street, Oswestry,  
every Friday from 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The Chest Clinic, Copthorne Hospital, Shrewsbury,  
every Wednesday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

### Veneral Disease Clinics

Clinics are administered by the Regional Hospital Board and the one available to this area is held at:-

No. 1, Belmont, Shrewsbury.

Females	...	Mondays	...	3.30 to 5.30 p.m.
		Thursdays	...	5.00 to 7.00 p.m.
Males	...	Tuesdays	...	6.00 to 8.00 p.m.
		Fridays	...	6.00 to 8.00 p.m.

### Local Health Authority Clinics

Under the National Health Service Act, 1946, the County Council being the Local Health Authority, provides child welfare clinics. The Clinic in Oswestry is held every Wednesday from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 1.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. at 30, Upper Brook Street. At Gobowen a clinic is held on the 2nd and 4th Monday in the month from 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Whittington operates on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday in the month from 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. and St. Martins on the 2nd Tuesday in the month from 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Immunisation against Poliomyelitis, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus is provided, as is vaccination against Smallpox.

### Clinics continued.

Welfare foods - orange juice, codliver oil preparations and other vitamin preparations, powdered milk and cereals for babies - are all on sale at the clinics. These items are also on sale daily except on Thursday.

The Clinics are staffed by experienced Health Visitors who can give advice on any problems connected with the rearing, feeding and management of babies and young children. A doctor is always in attendance.

### Dental Clinics

The Salop County Council provides a dental service for expectant and nursing mothers and for pre-school age and school age children. The aim of the School Dental Service is to ensure that, as far as is practicable, children will leave school without the loss of permanent teeth, free from dental disease and irregularity, and trained in the care of their teeth.

The Dentist holds frequent weekly sessions in the Child Welfare Centre, 30, Upper Brook Street, Oswestry.

### Child Guidance Clinics

The Child Psychiatrist sees children by appointment at the Child Welfare Centre, 30, Upper Brook Street, Oswestry and also in Shrewsbury. Sessions are also held in all parts of the county as and when the need arises.

### Hospitals within Oswestry Rural District

Oswestry and District Hospital.

The Sir Robert Jones & Dame Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital.

Morda House Hospital, Morda, Oswestry.

Greenfields Hospital, Morda, Oswestry.

Other hospitals which provide accommodation for the district are as follows:-

The Royal Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury.

The Eye, Ear & Throat Hospital, Shrewsbury.



### Hospitals continued

Copthorne Hospital, Shrewsbury.  
Cross Houses Hospital, Shrewsbury.  
Monkmoor Hospital, Shrewsbury.  
Shelton Hospital, Shrewsbury.

All the aforementioned hospitals are administered by the Birmingham Regional Hospital Board which was constituted in accordance with the National Health Service Act.

### AMBULANCE SERVICE

Under the National Health Service Act it became the duty of the County Council, the local health authority under the Act, to make provisions for securing that ambulances and other means of transport are available for the conveyance of persons suffering from physical or mental illness and expectant mothers or nursing mothers, from places in their area to places in or outside their area.

### LABORATORY FACILITIES

This service is available at the Public Health Laboratory, Royal Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury. Telephone: Shrewsbury 4684.

Dr. A.C. Jones is the Bacteriologist and the Pathologist is Dr. G. Grant. The service is based on the Royal Salop Infirmary and undertakes work for local authorities free of charge in so far as it is relevant to diagnosis. It is invaluable particularly in the expeditious dealing with the bacteriological examination of food samples.

### HOME HELP SERVICE

The Home Help Service is provided by the Salop County Council as one of its functions under Part III of the National Health Service Act. It helps to maintain the aged and the sick in their homes. This excellent service is supervised in Oswestry by Mrs. Roberts who has 50 home helps under her control at 32, Upper Brook Street, Oswestry.

## NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

Blood transfusion during the course of serious illness, is for many people a life saving treatment. Loss of blood in accidents, childbirth or operation, cases of anaemia and severe burns all call for the transfusion of blood.

The National Blood Transfusion Service Unit based on Birmingham visits Oswestry twice yearly and a large number of faithful donors continue to respond but new volunteers are welcome to take the place of those reaching 'retiring age' or leaving the district.

The Birmingham Office has kindly supplied the following figures for 1970.

<u>Attended</u>	<u>Bled</u>
328.	312

## NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

Two cases only were dealt with under the Act.

## MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

Apart from routine medical inspections which are carried out in schools and clinics, from time to time the Medical Officer of Health carries out:

- (a) Pre-employment examinations of all entrants to Local Government service employed by Oswestry Rural District Council.
- (b) Examinations to ascertain the fitness of children (aged 13 years and over) to engage in part-time work outside school hours. The scope and duration of this employment is strictly controlled by law. (Children and Young Persons Act, 1933).
- (c) All entrants to the teaching profession.
- (d) The assessment of the fitness of various individuals to continue their present employment.



# PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES

The Statutory Water Undertaker is the West Shropshire Board.

Sources of supply remain the same, namely:-

Boreholes Ruyton-Xl-Towns.

Boreholes Mardy.

Penygwely.

Liverpool Corporation, Lake Vyrnwy.

## RESULTS OF BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS OF PIPED SUPPLIES FROM PUBLIC MAINS.

Date	Supply	B. coli	Faecal coli.	Plate Count
26. 1.70	8, Crown House, St. Martins	0	0	
11. 3.70	Chemical Analysis, Castle House, Oswestry	0	0	
24. 3.70	The Cottage, Llanyblodwel	0	0	
23. 4.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	2
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	5
7. 5.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	3
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	0
14. 5.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	0
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	0
9. 6.70	Greenfields Hospital Kitchen	0	0	
9. 6.70	Morda House Kitchen - mixer tap	18+	Present	
9. 6.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	2
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	2
18. 6.70	Fairholme, Morda Road, Oswestry (Kitchen)	0	0	
18. 6.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	1
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	9
24. 6.70	Glentworth, Morda Road (Kitchen)	0	0	
24. 6.70	Oswestry & District Hospital (Kitchen)	1	0	
25. 6.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	18
25. 6.70	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	13
30. 6.70	Oswestry & District Hospital (Kitchen)	0	0	
30. 6.70	Derwen Training College (Kitchen)	3	0	
1. 7.70	Orthopaedic Hospital (Kitchen)	0	0	
9. 7.70	Derwen Training College (Kitchen)	0	0	
15. 7.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	2	0	
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	3	0	
22. 7.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	3
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	1
30. 7.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	0
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	0
3. 8.70	28, Cambrian Drive, Oswestry.	0	0	
	28, Cambrian Drive, Oswestry	0	0	

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Date	Supply	B.coli	Faecal coli.	Plate Count
5. 8.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)			
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)			
20. 8.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	2
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	3
25. 8.70	4 Woolston Bank	0	0	
27. 8.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	72
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	52
15. 9.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	2
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	0	0	0
24. 9.70	Oswestry Baths (Deep End)	0	0	0
	Oswestry Baths (Shallow End)	1	0	0
30. 9.70	Selattyn School	0	0	
29.10.70	Oswestry Wholesale Butchers' Abattoir	0	0	
Samples of private water supplies		Satisfactory Unsatisfactory		
Private mains ... ..		5		3
Wells, springs, boreholes ...		6		18

The undermentioned samples have been taken by the West Shropshire Water Board:-

	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
<u>Bacteriological Samples</u>		
Pen-y-Gwely	27	3
Mardy	18	Nil
Ruyton	42	1
Vyrnwy	22	Nil
Rednal	21	Nil
<u>Chemical Samples</u>		
Pen-y-Gwely	2	Nil
Mardy	3	Nil
Ruyton	4	Nil
Vyrnwy	3	Nil
Rednal	4	Nil

RAINFALL:- The total rainfall for the year recorded at Yorkfields was 32.86  
Average over the past twenty years ..... 33.84



The new Works at Maesbury Road to serve the Rural Borough of Oswestry, Morda, Trefonen and Treflach was completed during the year and officially inaugurated by the Rt. Honourable Peter Walker, M.B.E., M.P., Minister of Housing and Local Government. Extension of the existing sewer from the Hen & Chickens, Morda, to serve Coedygoe, Trefonen & Treflach, was proceeded with during the year. The length of sewer when completed will discharge to the new works at Weston.

### REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

The incentive bonus scheme so far as refuse collection is concerned was fully implemented during the year and has settled down. All premises now have a back door collection and all villages and the Rural Borough of Oswestry have weekly collection, excluding the town centre where two collections per week take place. Five vehicles are in use, four being of the compressor type and one side loader.

The Council have re-introduced special collection and an open vehicle was purchased for the purpose. The service is of great assistance to the public and prevents haphazard dumping of refuse on verges, plantations etc., in addition a routine visit to housing estates has been implemented, when time permits, and also old cycles, beds etc. collected.

The Council have also resolved to have a hammer-mill pulveriser plant installed at the Maesbury Road tip site. It is hoped that construction will take place early in 1971. The building will also accommodate the salvage press etc.

### STREET CLEANSING

An incentive bonus scheme has not yet been applied to Street Cleansing. Four men are employed as manual sweepers and two men on mechanical sweepers.

### PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Three blocks of Conveniences exist in the town for ladies and gents. Two exist in the country, one at Llanymynech and one on the Racecourse. The attendants are to be congratulated on the high standard of cleanliness they maintain.

The toilets, both ladies and gents, situated in Beatrice Street are structurally unsatisfactory and should be replaced with modern conveniences.

#### PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS

One man is employed on rodent control for the purpose of treatment and inspection. Since the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food have ceased treatment of farms after the abandonment of the Warfarin Resistant belt, more work has evolved upon the operators and it may well be that a part time assistant will be necessary if the rat and mouse population is to be kept to a minimum.

#### PUBLIC BATHS

Despite the relatively poor conditions at the Baths, they have been maintained in good condition and the demand by the public on the pool is as great as ever.

#### PLACES OF ENTERTAINMENT

The two Cinemas in the town received their annual inspection and a Certificate was issued regarding their cleanliness, ventilation and adequacy of facilities, a copy of which was submitted to the Magistrates.

#### LICENSING ACT, 1961

Registered Clubs in the area received their annual inspection. Conditions were entirely satisfactory.

#### NUISANCES

Number of Visits and re-visits .....	612
Number dealt with by Informal Notice.....	16
Number complied with .....	16
Number of Abatement Notices .....	3



MEAT INSPECTION

Number of Licensed Slaughterhouses in the District..... 3

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed . . . . .	1,490	7	31	7,223	3,372
Number inspected . . . . .	1,490	7	31	7,223	3,372
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis &amp; C. Bovis</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned . . . . .	1	-	-	6	1
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned . . . . .	478	5	-	369	754
Percentage of number inspected condemned	32.00	71.4	-	5.10	22.3
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned . . . . .	-	-	-	-	60
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis . . . . .	-	-	-	-	1.8
<u>Cysticercus Bovis</u>					
Generalised and totally condemned . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned . . . . .	4	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to refrigeration . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-

## CONTROL OF FOOD

### SLAUGHTERING FACILITIES

These consist of

- (a) A slaughterhouse run by a company formed by the local butchers (Oswestry & District Wholesale Meat Supply Co. Ltd.).
- (b) Three small private slaughterhouses.  
(Two in the Borough and one in the Rural District).

### DETAILS OF CONDEMNATION

#### Cattle.

<u>Abcesses</u>	32 Livers, 9 part Livers 2 Lungs, 1 Head, 1 part cheek, 1 Spleen.	<u>Hydro-Nephritis</u>	1 Kidney
<u>Actinobacillosis</u>	9 Heads.	<u>Injury/Bruising</u>	1 part Hindquarters 1 Shin.
<u>Adhesions</u>	1 Lung, 1 Kidney, 1 Skirt.	<u>Nephritis</u>	2 Kidneys.
<u>Angioma</u>	7 Livers, 2 part Livers	<u>Parasitic</u>	10 Lungs, 1 part Lung, 1 Heart, 3 Livers, 1 part Liver.
<u>Angioma/Congestion</u>	4 Livers, 1 part Liver.	<u>Pericarditis</u>	1 Liver.
<u>Angioma/Echinococci</u>	2 Livers	<u>Peritonitis</u>	1 Spleen, 2 Lungs 1 part Liver.
<u>Arthritis</u>	2 Forelegs, 2 Hocks (20 lbs)	<u>Peritonitis Abscess</u>	1 Stomach, 1 Spleen, 1 Liver.
<u>Cysticercus Bovis</u>	4 Heads, 2 Hearts, 1 Skirt.	<u>Petechial Hemorrhage</u>	1 part Liver.
<u>Congestion</u>	1 part Lung, 2 part Lungs.	<u>Pleurisy</u>	5 Lungs.
<u>Cysts</u>	3 parts Lungs.	<u>Pneumonia</u>	4 Lungs, 1 part Lung.
<u>Echinococci</u>	11 Livers, 1 Lung, 12 parts Lungs.	<u>Pre-Sternal Calcification</u>	8 lbs. Brisket.
<u>Emphysema</u>	1 Lung.	<u>Telangectasis</u>	1 Liver.
<u>Fascioliasis</u>	191 Livers, 129 part Livers 7 Lungs.	<u>Tetanus</u>	1 carcase and offal 250 lbs.
<u>Fascioliasis/Abscesses</u>	2 Livers.	<u>Septic Pleurisy</u>	1 part Lung.
<u>Fascioliasis/Peritonitis</u>	1 Liver.		



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### Details of Condemnation Continued

#### Pigs

<u>Abscesses</u>	9 Heads, 1 Sow's Head, 1 Pluck, 1 Lung, 1 Udder, 1 Shank, 5 Livers, 1 Hind-Leg, 1 part Fore-quarters (68 lbs.), 1 Foreleg, 1 Trotter, 40 lbs. Sows Meat, 10 lbs. Pork Meat.	<u>Nephritis</u>	15 Kidneys, 2 Sow's Kidneys.
<u>Adhesions</u>	1 Heart.	<u>Oedema</u>	1 Carcase (98 lbs.) 1 Pluck, 1 part Lung.
<u>Arthritis</u>	16 Feet, 1 Shank, 1 Leg (4 lbs.) 1 Foreleg, 23 lbs. Pork Meat.	<u>Parasitic</u>	11 Livers, 4 part Livers, 7 part Lungs, 1 part Lung, 2 Kidneys.
<u>Ascarides</u>	156 Livers, 13 part Livers, 2 part Lungs.	<u>Pericarditis</u>	4 Hearts.
<u>Congestion</u>	256 parts Lungs, 2 Kidneys.	<u>Peritonitis</u>	1 Heart, 1 Liver
<u>Cysts</u>	5 parts Kidneys, 2 Lungs, 1 Liver.	<u>Petechiae Cysts</u>	1 Sow's Kidney.
<u>Echinococcus</u>	1 part Sow's Lung.	<u>Petechiae Hemorrhage</u>	4 Kidneys.
<u>Emphysema</u>	3 parts Lungs.	<u>Pleurisy</u>	12 Lungs, 1 Heart
<u>Fascioliasis</u>	1 Liver	<u>Pleurisy/Peritonitis</u>	1 Heart. 2 Lungs. 2 Parts Lungs.
<u>Growth</u>	1 Spleen.	<u>Pleurisy/Pericarditis</u>	2 Hearts. 2 Lungs.
<u>Hydronephrosis</u>	7 parts Kidneys.	<u>Pleurisy/Peritonitis/Pneumonia</u>	2 Plucks, 1 Sow's Pluck, 1 Fry.
<u>Injury-Bruising</u>	4 Hindlegs, 1 part Hindleg, 1 Foreleg, 1 Leg.	<u>Pneumonia</u>	165 part Lungs, 3 part Lungs, 2 Plucks.
<u>Injury - Broken</u>	1 Hind-quarters.	<u>Rheumatic</u>	4 Feet.
<u>Mammitis</u>	1 Udder	<u>Septic Pleurisy</u>	1 Lung, 1 Head, 1 Heart.
		<u>T.B.</u>	5 Heads, 4 Sow's Heads, 1 part Lung.

#### Sheep

<u>Abscesses</u>	5 Livers, 1 Leg (3 lbs.) 1 part Lung.	<u>C. Ovis</u>	3 Hearts
<u>Anaemia/Emaciation</u>	1 Carcase.	<u>Congestion</u>	3 part Lungs.
<u>Arthritis</u>	1 Leg (11 lbs.), 1 Leg (2½ lbs.)	<u>Cysts</u>	1 part Liver
		<u>Fascioliasis</u>	35 Livers, 5 part Livers.

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Details of Condemnation continued

Sheep cont.

Injury - Bruising 1 Lamb 32 lbs.  
Flank.

Oedema 2 parts Forequarter, 1  
Carcase (28 lbs.) 2 Carcasses.

Parasitic 231 Livers, 62 part  
Livers, 6 Lungs, 1 Pluck,  
3 Kidneys.

Pleurisy/Pericarditis 1 Heart, 1 part  
Lung, 6 parts Liver.

Pleurisy/Peritonitis/Pneumonia 1 Pluck

Pneumonia 2 parts lungs.

Pyrexia 1 Carcase and Offal.

Taenia Ovis 3 Hearts.

Tenuicollis 1 Liver, 2 parts Liver.

Weight Condemned

<u>Meat</u>	Tons.	Cwts.	lbs.
(a) Slaughterhouses carcass meat and offal	3	11	72
(b) Wholesale premises carcass meat and offal	3	2	37

Other Food Surrendered or Condemned

Canned meats		3	38
Other Canned Foods		1	96
Fish (Fresh)		2	30
Fruit and Vegetables (Fresh)		1	1
Frozen Foods due to refrigerator breakdown	1	5	46
Other Foods		5	62
Total	8	13	46

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FOOD AND DRUGS ACT 1955

Number of complaints of foreign bodies in food ..... 15

<u>Food</u>	<u>Complaint</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>
Meat Pasty	Hair	No Legal Action
Salted Peanuts	Glass	Warning Letter
Lamb Chop	Faeces	Warning Letter
Canned Ham	Allegedly Unfit	No Legal Action
French Stick Loaf	Hard black substances	Prosecution by S.C.C. Fine £25 - Costs £7.35
Bread	Vegetable Matter	Warning Letter
Cheese Spread	Mould growth	No Legal Action
Pork Pie	Mould growth	No Legal Action
Dried Peas	Particles of coal	Warning Letter
Brawn	Decomposition	Warning Letter
Chicken Leg	Decomposition	Warning Letter
Milk	Dirty Bottle	Warning Letter
Round Cob Loaf	Greasy substances	Warning Letter
Potato Crisps	Oily substances	Prosecution by S.C.C. Fine £20 - Cost £11
Pork Pie	Pieces of thread	Prosecution by S.C.C. Fine £25 - Costs £15.70
Milk	Plastic novelty	Prosecution by S.C.C. Fine £10.
Biscuits	Small streak containing iron compounds and charred dough	Warning Letter
Lemon Drink	Not conforming to the Soft Drinks Regulations	Warning Letter
Bread	Mould growth	Warning Letter



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### FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960

Contraventions of the Food Hygiene Regulations  
for which notices were served ..... 17

Following is a list of the various food premises in the District:-

#### Bakehouses

- (a) Baking bread and confectionery... 8
- (b) Catering and confectionery..... 78

Hotels, Cafes, Snack Bars and Factory and School Canteens are included in this figure. Most of these premises have refrigerated storage, and use a recognised steriliser-detergent for washing up. A number have dishwashing machines which steam sterilise, or double-unit sterilising sinks.

Butchers .....	23
Fish Friers .....	9
Wet Fish .....	3
Grocers .....	113
Green Grocers .....	12
Sweets .....	20
Licensed Houses .....	93
Market Halls .....	1

#### Mobile Shops

- (1) Grocery .....
  - (2) Greengrocery .....
  - (3) Fish Friers .....
  - (4) Butchers .....
- |    |
|----|
| 11 |
| 3  |
| 1  |
| 5  |

## Food Hygiene Regulations continued

### Milk and Dairies

Oswestry is a specially designated area; the bulk of milk being processed outside the town and distributed by local dealers. No complaints were received about the lack of keeping quality of the milk, but one routine sample of untreated farm Bottled Milk was found to be slightly deficient in fat. A warning letter was sent to the producer concerned.

### Meat Product Preparing Rooms

Number of premises ..... 14

### Premises selling Pre-packed Ice-Cream

Number of registered premises ..... 143

There are no manufacturing premises in the district.

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	1	101	-
Retail Shops	3	222	24
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	1	15	1
Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens	-	29	23
Fuel Storage Depots	-	2	-
Totals	5	369	48
TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITS OF ALL KINDS BY INSPECTORS TO REGISTERED PREMISES UNDER THE ACT			106

In this Schedule -

"general inspection" means any inspection of premises to which the Act applies which is undertaken for the purpose of ascertaining whether all the relevant provisions of the Act and instruments thereunder are complied with as respects those premises; and "registered premises" means any premises in respect of which a notice under section 49 of the Act has been received by a local authority or by the Greater London Council and the expression "premises registered" shall be construed accordingly.



OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(B) ANALYSIS OF CONTRAVENTIONS

Section	Number of Contraventions found		Section	Number of Contraventions found	
4	Cleanliness	7	13	Sitting facilities	1
5	Overcrowding	2	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	-
6	Temperature	1	15	Eating Facilities	-
7	Ventilation	2	16	Floors, passage & stairs	5
8	Lighting	-	17	Fencing exposed parts machinery	-
9	Sanitary conveniences	4	18	Protection of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	9	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of drinking water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing accommodation	1	24	First aid	6
				Other matters	10
				TOTAL	48

(C) EXEMPTIONS Number of applications received .....Nil

Number of applications granted (i) Space- Nil  
(ii) Temp - Nil (iii) San. Conv. - Nil  
(iv) running water - Nil.

(D) PROSECUTIONS Number instituted and completed .....Nil

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(E) REPORTED ACCIDENTS

Workplace	Number Reported		Total No. Investigated	Action Recommended	
	Fatal	Non Fatal		Informal Advice	No Action
Offices	-	2	1	1	-
Retail Shops	-	2	1	1	-
Catering Est. open to public, Canteens	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	-	4	2	2	-

Analysis of Reported Accidents

	Offices	Retail Shops	Catering Est. etc.
Falls of Persons	1	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	2	-
Not otherwise specified	1	-	-

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	19	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	163	44	5	-
(iii) Other premises. (Sec.7).	182	18	-	-
TOTAL	364	62	5	-



# FACTORIES ACTS (continued).

## 2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases").

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which Prosecutions were Instituted
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	Referred By H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1).	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2).	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3).	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4).	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6).	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7).					
(a) Insufficient	1	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	4	3	1	3	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork).	-	-	-	-	-





